Development of 'Ulavi' as a Tourist Centre

232. Sri R. G. WALI (Hubli).—

Will the Minister for Transport be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether 'Ulavi' a holy shrine of Hindus and well-known pilgrimage centre and a unique spot of natural beauty is being developed as a 'Tourist Centre' ;

(*b*) if so, the facilities that will be provided for the Tourists ;

(*c*) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the construction work of the bridge on the way to this shrine is yet to be completed ;

(*d*) if so, when the same will be completed and the road made motorable throughout the year ;

(*e*) whether there is any proposal before the Government to construct a Tourist Home for the use of the pilgrims visiting this shrine?

Sri MOHAMED ALI (Minister for Transport).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) It is proposed to construct a Tourist House.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) As early as possible.

(*e*) Yes.

Damage to the Crops in T. Narasipur Taluk

337. Sri T. P. BORAIAH (Bannur).—

Will the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it has come to the notice of Government that the poor ryots in T. Narasipur Taluk are put to difficulties due to loss of paddy crops in thousands of acres of land on account of neck-rod disease to paddy crops ;

(*b*) the precautionary measures taken by Agriculture Department to prevent the said disease ?

Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In view of rains during the month of October, the said crop was affected by this disease. Besides, the evening rains, morning clouds and the flowering during the said season enabled the development of the said disease.